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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 AND 1.115**

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Sir:

In an Office Action mailed August 7, 1996 in the above-identified patent application (hereinafter the "Action"), claims 30-33 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first and second paragraphs, and were also provisionally rejected for obviousness-type double patenting. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following amendments and remarks. This response is timely filed as a petition for a one month extension of time is filed herewith, effectively extending the deadline for response to December 9, 1996 (December 7, 1996 being a Saturday).